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| FORM PTO-1390 (REV 11-2000) | U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 978-53 |
| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) 09/913330 Unknown |
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TITLE OF INVENTION

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APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☒ The U.S. has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31).
5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
 - a. ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
 - a. ☐ is attached hereto.
 - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
 - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has **NOT** expired.
 - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ A English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11 To 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825.
18. ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
19. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20. ☒ Other items or information. PTO-1449/ International Search Report

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| 21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted: BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 C.F.R. 1.492(a)(1)-(5): -- Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) nor international search fee (37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO\$1000.00 -- International preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO.....\$860.00 -- International preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO.....\$710.00 -- International preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4).....\$690.00 -- International preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) paid to USPTO and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4).....\$100.00 <div style="text-align: right;">ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =</div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: flex-end; align-items: center;"> <div style="margin-right: 10px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than _____ months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 C.F.R. 1.492(e)). </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> \$ 860.00 </div> </div> <table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-top: 5px;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width:20%;">CLAIMS</th> <th style="width:15%;">NUMBER FILED</th> <th style="width:15%;">NUMBER EXTRA</th> <th style="width:10%;">RATE</th> <th style="width:10%;">TOTAL</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Total Claims</td> <td>28</td> <td>-20 =</td> <td>8</td> <td>X \$18.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Independent Claims</td> <td>3</td> <td>-3 =</td> <td>0</td> <td>X \$80.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="4">MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS(S) (if applicable)</td> <td>\$270.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="4" style="text-align: right;">TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</td> <td>\$ 1004.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <div style="margin-top: 5px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2. <div style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> \$ 0.00 </div> </div> <div style="margin-top: 5px;"> SUBTOTAL = <div style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> \$ 1004.00 </div> </div> <div style="margin-top: 5px;"> Processing fee of \$130.00, for furnishing the English Translation later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 C.F.R. 1.492(f)). <div style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> \$ 0.00 </div> </div> <div style="margin-top: 5px;"> TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = <div style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> \$ 1004.00 </div> </div> <div style="margin-top: 5px;"> Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 C.F.R. 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 C.F.R. 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property <div style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> \$ 40.00 </div> </div> <div style="margin-top: 5px;"> Fee for Petition to Revive Unintentionally Abandoned Application (\$1240.00 - Small Entity = \$620.00) <div style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> \$ 0.00 </div> </div> <div style="margin-top: 5px;"> TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = <div style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> \$ 1044.00 </div> </div> <table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-top: 5px;"> <tr> <td style="width:70%;"></td> <td style="width:10%;">Amount to be:</td> <td style="width:10%;"></td> <td style="width:10%;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>refunded</td> <td>\$</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Charged</td> <td>\$</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> | | | | CLAIMS | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE | TOTAL | Total Claims | 28 | -20 = | 8 | X \$18.00 | Independent Claims | 3 | -3 = | 0 | X \$80.00 | MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS(S) (if applicable) | | | | \$270.00 | TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = | | | | \$ 1004.00 | | Amount to be: | | | | refunded | \$ | | | Charged | \$ | | CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY | |
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a. ☒ A check in the amount of \$1044.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.

b. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 14-1140 in the amount of \$_____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.

c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.

d. ☒ The entire content of the foreign application(s), referred to in this application is/are hereby incorporated by reference in this application.

NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 C.F.R. 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 C.F.R. 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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